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1. [] Called Jim Woolsey, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, to tell him we had completed work on the Director's response to Senator Baker's letter of 8 November 73, that it was on Mr. Colby's desk, and I expected he would sign it before coming to the Hill for his hearing with the Committee following their session with [] I asked Woolsey how he would like us to proceed in the handling of this letter. He said this was a little bit touchy in view of the fact that Senator Baker is currently out of town. It was Woolsey's suggestion that we deliver Colby's response to Senator Baker's office as soon as possible this morning and have Colby bring copies of the letter and response to Baker's questions. He also suggested I call George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, (who has served as a staff assistant to Senator Baker in the [] matter) to determine if Murphy would accept responsibility for the release of copies of the letter to the Committee.

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2. [] Called George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, and related to him the thrust of my conversation with Jim Woolsey, Senate Armed Services Committee staff. Murphy was a little apprehensive about his role in the matter but said he felt he had sufficient authority from Senator Baker to authorize the release of copies of the Colby letter to the Armed Services Committee for the hearing this morning. Murphy said he would contact Senator Baker's personal secretary on this matter and tell her to be on the look out for the delivery of the original to their office. Murphy told me if I did not hear from him in the next 10 minutes to go ahead as Woolsey had suggested. This conversation took place at approximately 9:30 a.m. and the letter was delivered to Senator Baker's office by [] shortly after 10:10 a.m.

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